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Applicant: Dilip M. Ranade

Assignee: VERITAS Operating Corporation

Title: Coordinated Dirty Block Tracking

Serial No.: 10/747,782 Filing Date: December 29, 2003

Examiner: Shahid Al Alam Group Art Unit: 2162

Docket No.: VRT0113US

Austin, Texas
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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated August 11, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring on November 11, 2005. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are presented in a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page) (in duplicate);
- (3) Response To Non-Final Office Action (12 pages).

No additional fee is required.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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Total Claims	39	Minus	47	=	0	x \$ 50.00	\$	0.00
Independent Claims	6	Minus	4	=	2	x \$200.00	\$	400.00

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enclosed document(s) after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, an extension of time is hereby requested.

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